



# CalHealthCares

## \$220 million available for loan repayments!

### About the CalHealthCares Program

Proposition 56 provides a one-time allocation of \$220 million for a loan repayment program to increase access to care for Medi-Cal beneficiaries. The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) contracted with Physicians for a Healthy California (PHC) to administer the loan repayment program, CalHealthCares. Eligible physicians may apply for a loan repayment up to \$300,000 in exchange for a five-year service obligation. Eligible dentists may apply for either a loan repayment up to \$300,000 in exchange for a five-year services obligation or a practice support grant up to \$300,000 in exchange for a ten-year service obligation. All medical and dental specialties are eligible. In this cycle, CalHealthCares expects to award approximately 125 physicians and 20 dentists. All awardees are required to maintain a patient caseload of 30 percent or more Medi-Cal beneficiaries.

### Who May Apply?

This program is intended to support existing physicians and dentists that provide care to Medi-Cal beneficiaries as well as incentivize new physicians and dentists to increase their participation in the Medi-Cal program. To be considered for an award, the applicant must be a current licensed healthcare provider (physician or dentist) **or** current dental student as well as, physician or dental resident, and/or fellow. Applicants must:

- ☐ Have an unrestricted license and be in good standing with their licensing board
- ☐ Be an active enrolled Medi-Cal provider without existing suspensions, disbarments or revocations
- ☐ For physicians, be graduated from a residency program and for dentists, be graduates of a dental school
- ☐ Practice in California
- ☐ For those applying for the loan repayment program, have existing educational loan debt incurred while pursuing a medical or dental degree and not currently participating in another loan repayment program
- ☐ For those applying for the practice support grant, have an existing dental practice and expand and/or relocate to a targeted county

**Application Cycle:**

**April 1, 2019 – April 26, 2019**

**Awardee Notifications:**

**June 30, 2019**

For more information please read our Eligibility, Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), Applicant Instructions, and Checklist at [CalHealthCares.org](http://CalHealthCares.org). The Application Instructions and FAQs contain answers to commonly asked questions, information about important deadlines, as well as instructions for completing the application. Please also consider attending one of webinars as noted at [CalHealthCares.org](http://CalHealthCares.org).